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Subject: [External] Re: S. 1 - An act relating to extending the baseload renewable power portfolio requirement - SUPPLEMENTARY COMMENT

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Dear Vermont Senate Committee,

Please accept this very timely supplemental comment regarding: "S. 1 - An act relating to extending the baseload renewable power portfolio requirement"

500 leading scientists just sent a letter to EU, Japan, and US leaders telling them not to cut and burn trees to generate electricity. "It's not carbon-neutral; it's a climate-killer."

https://twitter.com/billmckibben/status/1359854681091174405

Here is the letter:

http://www.maforests.org/500scientists.pdf

Here is more about the issue:

https://www.climatechangenews.com/2021/02/11/time-end-subsidies-burning-wood-forests/

https://www.wwf.eu/?uNewsID=2128466

thank you

Sincerely

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